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We wish to call your attention to the fact that it is, and has been our custom to charge five cents per line for resolutions of respect, cards of thanks and obituary notices, after one death notice has been published. This will be strictly adhered to.

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"POLICIES, NOT MEN."

Our attention has been called to young Shipman's reply to Lieutenant A. S. Cline, of Lincoln, who took exception to the manner son Shipman sought support for father Shipman in his second primary campaign against Frank Grist, of Lenoir. The communication calls the attention of Legion members to the motto of the American Legion—"Policies, not men." And that motto, in our opinion, is largely responsible for the support Grist is being given over the state. A principle as well as a policy is the backbone of the Grist following. In our knowledge not a single supporter of the World War veteran knows anything against Shipman, the man. Neither do we, his record in office as well as the man himself is above reproach, but what of the principles and policies of those who have tried to oust from the race the "young upstart who tried to get in office because of his war record?"

It is not the man in particular the Legion members of North Carolina and their friends are supporting but the principle. Americans have a habit of being for the "under dog" when the game has a tendency of being played unfair. Son Shipman had the right idea—just expressed it wrong. No one could hardly call the young Lenoir man good looking—the World War caused that. The closed print shop, the shouldered gun, and the wound stripe are a part of his campaign—and should be. Our politicians must be weakening in their mental powers when they think they can scare a fellow who still holds his head to one side because he did not flinch when he went over the top into the hail of steel and bursting shrapnel, which disfigured him for life. Perhaps Grist will lose, but in the stand he has made with the support of his "buddies" the motto of the Legion—"Policies, not men"—will be better known, and the ex-service man some few were inclined to overlook and forget will be respected and considered the more in this state.

HELP PUT IT OVER.

The chamber of commerce of Kings Mountain, our neighboring town, has decided to make the celebration of the famous Kings Mountain battle this year one of the greatest events ever held at the historic "turning point" of the American fight for freedom. In the undertaking Kings Mountain should have the eager cooperation of every citizen of Cleveland county. People are prone to overlook the important in their midst and turn for their exultation and shouting to some far off thing or place. Such is the case here. For nearly a century and a half American boys and girls have felt the patriotic thrill of American prowess as in their histories they read the daring stand of the Colonists and their defeat of the "Red coats" at the battle of Kings Mountain. Yet there are hundreds of people in Cleveland county who have never seen the battle ground except at a distance. Yearly thousands of people make a pilgrimage to some mecca or shrine of patriotism not half so embedded in the spirit of freedom as Kings Mountain. The visit of Senator Copeland, of New York, brought the famous battle ground into nation-wide prominence for a short time, but even his visit was not given enough publicity.

This year not only Cleveland county but the entire section surrounding the battleground, in the two Carolinas where for the most part live the descendants of the heroes of the battle should take a hand in making it a celebration in keeping with what is being celebrated. Proper publicity should be given the event prior to the date so that residents of other states may plan in advance to visit the battleground on that day. The large state dailies and papers in other states will gladly carry the interesting and historic stories that should be prepared in connection with the event.

THEY TAKE NOTICE.

Sometime back the local county board of agriculture and extension workers started in the county a "Paint-up" campaign. This was followed by a "Name-the-farm" campaign. Six hundred houses and barns have been painted so far and we mean by so far that the campaign has just started and that it is the ultimate hope that every home and barn in the county be painted. Many farms have been named and attractive signs erected at farm entrances telling visitors and passers-by the names. Both campaigns have meant much and will mean more to the county directly, but the first benefit to be derived is the publicity given the county over the state due to the campaigns. Ninety-

nine counties in North Carolina have been watching Cleveland county this year for the nation's greatest farm paper termed Cleveland "one of the most progressive agricultural counties in the entire country." The success of the paint-up and name-the-farm campaign have been broadcast over the state by the Extension News and the extension service publicity bureau with the result that many newspapers over the state are encouraging similar campaigns in their county with Cleveland held up as an example. Says the Stanly News-Herald in a recent edition.

"Speaking of cleaning-up and painting up, the farmers of Cleveland county seem to be doing that very thing. A few months ago a paint campaign was started in that county and since the opening of the campaign, 600 houses and barns have been painted, according to farm demonstration agent, Mr. R. E. Lawrence. That is a fine record. Cleveland county is one of the leading counties. The farmers of that county are among the foremost in the state in many ways. The movement started in Cleveland, however, will not be confined to that county, but it will be seen to spread throughout all of Piedmont North Carolina in the early future. Already farmers of this county have learned the value of a coat of paint on their farm houses and barns. There was a time when most Stanly farmers regarded painting as a useless and extravagant piece of business. Today, however, they have learned that it is money well invested, that it not only makes for better sanitary conditions, that it enhances the beauty and attractiveness of the farm, but they have also learned that it is one of the greatest protections to the buildings and as such is money well spent. It is only a question of a few years until practically every farm house in this county will be painted as beautifully as the houses in the towns and villages.

Another thing to be noted about Cleveland county and that is that the farmers are said to be naming their farm. The News-Herald has heretofore advocated the idea of naming farms in this county. We have noted that the man who names his farm as a rule always takes a keener pride in its appearance and the example in Cleveland county proves this conclusively. When a man names his farm he not only takes a keener pride in its appearance, but he usually becomes ambitious to make it as attractive as possible. A year or two ago this farm naming campaign was launched in Stanly and resulted in the naming of a large number of the farms, in some sections every farm in the community having been given a name. Many farmers, after naming their farms, had attractive letter head and envelopes printed, carrying the names of their farms and the names of the proprietors. In the future we shall see even more of this than in the past."

ARTIFICIAL BOOMING

The national Democratic convention in New York has been the most noisy and uncontrollable set of men and women we have ever read about. Most of the noise has been an artificial boom for Al Smith, governor of New York, whom New Yorkers want nominated for president. His boom is lively enough, in fact too much so, but it is not genuine. From the looks of things this far away, hired noise makers and demonstrators are packed into the convention hall to explode upon a given signal, the purpose being to lead the delegates to believe that Al Smith is the choice of the nation for president. As a matter of fact he is the choice of New York state, but New York state is not the nation by any means. Fortunately for Smith, the convention is being held in his home state. It has been convenient to hire men with drums and sirens for the purpose of infecting the convention with the mob spirit, so that it might be induced to nominate him at the dictation of New York instead of at the dictation of common sense, as the Greensboro Daily News so well points out.

Smith would make a good run no doubt, but the convention should not be stormed into nominating the man whose crowd produces the noisiest demonstration. These lines are penned before a nomination is made, so we still maintain that the best selection, since McAdoo and Smith forces have clashed, is John W. Davis of West Virginia whose crowd has been quiet and whose demeanor has been gentlemanly and dignified.

CRAZY INDIAN WAS WALKING ARSENAL

Reinforced with a double-barrel shotgun, an automatic pistol, a 44 revolver and a Winchester rifle, all loaded for action, Ishmael Chavis, crazy Indian of near Rowland, had to be shot through the leg before he could be taken when Officers Miller, Carper, McLeod, deputies, and Sitten and Rogers, of Rowland, went for him yesterday afternoon. Carper shot him, inflicting a flesh wound only when after the second peaceful attempt the Indian drew his automatic and threatened to shoot. Chavis was lodged in jail here and kept those near the jail awake for some time by trying to tear the place down.

He had been on the warpath for some time and had snapped the Winchester rifle in the face of his son-in-law and was considered very dangerous. Rural Policeman Carper, with one arm in a sling, shot once to frighten him but on seeing that it had the opposite effect, cracked down on his leg. The Indian gave up peaceably then.

OPINIONS OF OTHERS

How Prohibition Came.

(From News and Observer.)
Dean Ingle, of London, "the Gloomy Dean," accounts for prohibition in America on the ground of "enthusiastic morality" plus "maximum production and maximum wages." But the maximum production and maximum wages didn't come until prohibition did. Neither is prohibition due to "enthusiastic morality." It is due to the conviction nation-wide in extent that liquor was a national menace and deserved to be outlawed. The first feeling in the matter was humanitarian. There soon came another section of opinion which saw the outlawing of liquor as an economic measure and this was perhaps the most influential consideration. It is a mistake, as so many people claim, to say that prohibition represents a fanatical effort to enforce morality.

The "Mortgaged" Car.

(From The Mooresville Enterprise.)
At the next regular meeting of the North Carolina General Assembly steps will be taken to tighten up on the bootleggers. In other words, there should be a clause added to the confiscation of liquor cars whereby the mortgage could not lay claim to every good car that is picked up by the officers. It has come under our observation that in several cases which came before the recorder's court in this city, when a good car was taken over by the officers, some fellow would turn up in due course of time with a mortgage and claim the car for payments due, pay the costs and take the car. That sort of business will not hold for long, even though no action is taken at the next meeting of the Legislature.

Rutherford "Steps Out."

(From The Sun.)
Rutherford county has a progressive board of County Commissioners. They have built a new modern jail, are erecting a new and up-to-date County Home, given us good roads, in many sections of the county, are co-operating with the State in trying to prevent forest fires, have put on a full time health officer and will soon put on the Tuberculosis campaign among cattle. All these progressive steps have been taken and taxes not increased, as many would think. Rutherford does not have a high tax rate. We doubt if any county in the state has done as much as Rutherford with the tax money available.

The tax payers should have no "kick" coming as long as they are getting value received for their money. Of course the board has made mistakes. They are only human and are expected to make mistakes, but we think they have done exceedingly well and we congratulate and commend them. Let the good work of progress and betterment go on. Rutherford county is now one of the leading counties in the state in agriculture, manufacturing, scenery, good roads and consolidated schools.

Roads Pay For Themselves.

(From The Edgefield Advertiser.)
North Carolina has issued bonds to the amount of \$65,000,000 for road building. Already the state has built and improved 6,200 miles of road within the last three years and is planning to build 1,100 miles more. It is estimated that the gasoline tax will pay the interest on the bonds and provide a sinking fund for their retirement.

In a speech in Spartanburg a few days ago, Mr. Page, chairman of North Carolina Highway Commission, gave out some interesting figures which prove that, in automobile service alone good roads pay their own way. According to Mr. Page, the average consumption of gasoline per car in North Carolina was 520 gallons, while in 1923 it was 446 gallons. At 25 cents per gallon, this represented a saving, under good roads, of \$18.50 per year, and for all the machines in the State it was approximately \$4,376,000. This was in gasoline saving alone, to say nothing of the upkeep, wear and tear bill. Surely no one should object to paying a gasoline tax when the money is spent in building good roads.

"Dawes and Coolidge, Grocers."

(From New York World.)
Some one has discovered that 147 years ago the town of Worcester, Mass., had a firm of "Dawes and Coolidge, Grocers," and the claim is made that it was a direct ancestor of the present Dawes, and at least an indirect ancestor of the present Coolidge, who formed in 1777 a partnership destined to be reaffirmed in 1924. It was another world that the elder Dawes and the elder Coolidge looked on from their grocery windows; a world in which all attempts at securing peace were regarded as "entangling," and no one conceived that co-operation between nations would ever progress to such a point that 54 countries joined one league; a world which the organization of labor was unthinkable, and the idea of unions would have seemed an impertinent intrusion upon the privilege of an employer to single out his workmen and settle with them one by one.

The world changes. The Worcester grocers would not know their great-grandsons; but here and there an old idea holds, and Dawes and Coolidge sell apples at the same old stand.

People are smoking so much now it is hard to tell when to call a fire wagon.



"DRESS UP" July 4th

No matter where you spend the Glorious Fourth you will want a nice cool Summer Suit, Hat, and a pair of our Famous Low Cut Shoes.

Right now is your opportunity to buy your outfit at reduced prices. We are clearing out our summer stocks to get ready for the big fall campaign which will be on pretty soon.

- Summer Suits \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$22.50
- Straw Hats \$1.50, \$1.95 and \$2.95
- Low Cut Shoes \$3.95 to \$7.95
- Shirts 95c to \$3.95
- Socks 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00
- Union Suits 95c, \$1.25 and \$1.50
- Belts 25c, 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.50
- Ties 25c, 50c to \$2.00

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